

DECLARATION OF COOPERATION

The Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Bulgaria,

Expressing their conviction that the cultural heritage of the American and Bulgarian Nations must be preserved, protected and transmitted to future generations,

Acknowledging that it is desirable to promote a mutual knowledge of their cultures and heritages,

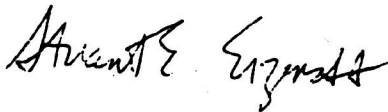
Expressing the importance of honoring the memories of victims of repression, war and genocide,

Acknowledging that it is desirable to promote mutual cooperation to preserve cultural heritage,

Hereby declare that it is their intention to achieve an agreement to cooperate in efforts to protect, preserve and recover appropriate sites of historical significance, places of worship, monuments, cemeteries, collections, memorials and archives associated with the cultural heritage of each Nation in accordance with each Nation's applicable laws. Both sides pledge themselves to set up bilateral expert working groups.

Done at Washington, D.C. this 2nd day of November 2000, in duplicate, in the English and Bulgarian languages, each text being equally authentic.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

